



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(203.004-US)

In Application of: **BALLERSTADT ET AL.** ) Group Art Unit: **1641**  
Serial No: **10/735,153** ) Examiner: **YU, MELANIE J.**  
Filed: **DECEMBER 12, 2003** )  
Title: **DEVICE AND METHOD FOR ANALYTE** )  
**SENSING** )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

Applicants hereby petition for a **three (3) month** extension of time to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application. A check to pay the fee required for this extension is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0763. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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